

**MEETING OF BROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016 AT BROOKE METHODIST HALL**

**Present:** Mr Jinks (Chairman), Mrs Powell (Vice-Chair), Mr Musgrave, Mr Harrison, Mr Warman, Mrs Beardsell, Mr Sanford, Mr Mears and Mrs Andrews (Clerk)

**Absent:** Mr Marris

**1. Apologies:**

There were no apologies received.

**2. Declaration of interest:**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**3. Minutes of meetings 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016:**

Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were agreed by all present to be true records. The minutes were signed by the Chairman accordingly.

**4. Matters arising from meetings 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016:**

There were no matters arising.

**5. Planning:**

**5.1 New and amended planning applications.**

**2016/0755 – Proposed change of use from beauty shop to dog grooming salon and pet shop at 23B High Green, Brooke.**

The application was recommended for approval with no comments.

**2016/0335 – Proposed change of use of land to include standing of containers for self-storage at Keelers Pits, Norwich Road, Brooke.**

The application was recommended for approval with no comments.

**2016/0775 – Proposed alterations to existing bungalow, demolition of garage, partial sub division of garden and erection of chalet style bungalow and garage at 4, Brecon Road, Brooke.**

This is a re-application of previous application number 2015/2444. The application was recommended for refusal with the following comments:

- The proposal is considered to be over-development of the plot.
- The Parish Council is concerned that allowing this application would create an unacceptable precedent. The character and charm of Brecon Rd is due to the low density of residential development over the years. Allowing an infill plot in this relatively small garden would adversely affect the amenity of the existing dwelling and would create a precedent for other properties in the surrounding area, whose character would be damaged by this or any similar applications.
- The car parking arrangements are unsatisfactory, with the risk that cars will be parked on the highway. The proposed layout of the site is awkward, with inadequate manoeuvring space – in particular the proposal to park cars in line in front of the garage of the proposed new dwelling is impractical.
- The proposal would create an adverse impact on the existing dwelling.

**6. Finance:**

**6.2 Cheques to be authorised.**

The following cheques were authorised for payment and signed accordingly:

£107.20	Barbara Fox	Plants for village sign area
£10.00	Brooke Methodist Church	Hall hire

**7. Items for the Agenda of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council 16<sup>th</sup> May 2016:**

Election of Officers

Cheque to be authorised of £22.00 to Mr Jinks regarding refreshments following Village Sign dedication

Village working party

Mr Jinks reported that John Ash has requested permission to hold an open air hymn service at the Meres on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016b at 6.00pm. All Councillors agreed that they had no objections. Mr Jinks will advise Mr Ash accordingly.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm.